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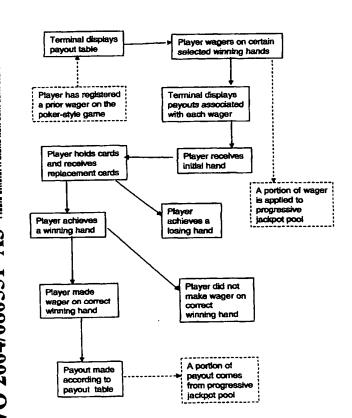
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(57) Abstract: A video poker-style game and method in which a player is provided the option of placing wagers on certain selected winning hands. In one embodiment, a player is provided the option of placing at least one wager on obtaining at least one selected winning hand before play begins. In another embodiment, a player is provided the option of placing at least one wager on obtaining at least. one selected winning hand before play begins and not provided the option of discarding and drawing replacement cards. In still another embodiment, a player is provided the option of placing at least one wager on obtaining at least one selected. winning hand after the initial hand is dealt. In yet another embodiment, a player is provided the option of placing at least one wager on obtaining at least one selected winning hand after the initial hand is dealt and after the player has selected which cards to discard or to hold. In a further embodiment, a player is provided the option of placing at least one wager on obtaining at least one selected winning hand before play begins and is provided a similar option after the initial hand is dealt. In a still further embodiment, a player is provided the option of placing at least one wager on obtaining at least one selected winning hand before play begins and is provided a similar option after the initial hand is dealt and after the player has selected which cards to discard or to hold. The jackpot payable for achievement of a winning hand that has been wagered upon can be determined from a fixed payout table or from a progressive payout table.



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